Cherry Grove Feb 16th 1859.

My Dear Caroline,

It is a long time since I received your letter and I beg your pardon for not having answered it before, but since I returned to Cherry Grove the roads have been so bad that the Governor only seldom sends to the post office. I have been very well this winter excepting a cough which I have had this three months, the winter is over here, or at least the cold weather, for this day is like spring time flies fast and it will be only three months more and then I come home. The Gov. is going to put the children out to school, for he is tired out with them he says that they will never be any credit to any one, and he wishes he had never had them and they are two of the most stupid children that ever I saw it seems impossible for them to learn anything for my part I do not think that any of the family are anything remarkable. They all think the same as the Gov in all things, and I was annoyed at a nice

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of the Governors, who echoes all the Gov avowes to say I had heard the Gov myself say that John Q. Adams had better be at home he was an old fool, and so this piece of his one day, says I don't see why they dont send old Adams home he must be in his dotage, she was stopped by the Gov saying I wish I knew half as much as he does, and then he went on to say that he was not an abolitionist and how he had explained it, and so know she think as he does. Whilst I was in Annapolis, I saw a Miss Cooke from New York. she told a story about Arthur Tappan that he had adopted a coloured girl and she was treated the same as his daughter, and some one called, and saw her in the parlour and told her tell her mistress to come to her, when Miss Tappan came into the room the person mentioned that she had sent her servant for her, No, said she my sister. And another story. I heard a Miss Brooks from South Boston. and she told how they went round with petitions and how the people treated them, and that the Mob in Boston was caused by Mrs Chapman walking up Washington St. with a black man. I cannot write any more as they are in a hurry to go to the post office. Give my love to and write soon and tell Anne and Debora to write and tell me some news for I have never heard and you know that Sarah and Susan are not one to find out news. and so I write. Your letters are a comfort to me, whilst my letters can scarcely be interesting to you. as you know of nothing here that can interest you. I have not heard from home or any

of your folks for this time sweetie. but I shall see you all. Goodbye and believe me yours affectionately

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